HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

Introduced by: Bosma, Friend, Richardson

A RESOLUTION recognizing Representative Michael Ripley on the occasion of his retirement from the Indiana House of Representatives.

Whereas, Elected to represent House District 79, Representative Michael Ripley has faithfully and zealously served the constituency of Adams, Allen, and Wells counties since 1996;

Whereas, Representative Ripley has played an integral part in the workings of the Indiana House of Representatives as a member of the Insurance Committee, the Financial Institutions Committee, and the Labor and Employment Committee;

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Whereas, Representative Ripley has been instrumental in passing legislation for consumer protection relating to credit scoring and insurance rates, including House Enrolled Act 1239, which was designed to create a more competitive individual health insurance market in Indiana, and House Enrolled Act 1392, which consolidates the guaranty fund from a multi-state level to a one-state level;

Whereas, A graduate of Ball State University with a major in criminal justice and a minor in Spanish, Representative Ripley worked as an Adams County probation officer after graduation;

Whereas, Representative Ripley is also a former Adams County Commissioner and executive director of the Economic Development Committee of the Berne Chamber of Commerce;

Whereas, Active in his community, Representative Ripley is a member of the Monroe United Brethren Church, where he has served as a board member, taught Sunday school, and led Bible study groups;

Whereas, The departure of Representative Ripley will be a great loss to the Indiana House of Representatives, where he will be remembered by his colleagues for his strong leadership; and

Whereas, The Indiana House of Representatives will miss the sound wisdom that Representative Michael Ripley brought to our chamber and our state throughout his legislative career: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives thanks Representative Michael Ripley for his years of dedicated service to his constituents and the state of Indiana and wishes him happiness and success in his future endeavors.

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SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Representative Michael Ripley and his family.

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